

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A thermoplastic molding composition comprising

A) from 10 to 99.99% by weight of at least one thermoplastic polyester

B) from 0.01 to 50% by weight of a highly branched or hyperbranched polyester of A_xB_y type where x is at least 1.1 and y is at least 2.1

C) from 0 to 60% by weight of other additives,

where the total of the percentages by weight of components A) to C) is 100%.

2. (Original) The thermoplastic molding composition according to claim 1, in which component B) has a number-average molar mass M_n of from 300 to 30 000 g/mol.

3. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, in which component B) has a glass transition temperature T_g of from -50°C to 140°C.

4. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition according to ~~claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, in which component B) has an OH number (to DIN 53240) of from 0 to 600 mg KOH/g of polyester.

5. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition according to ~~claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, in which component B) has a COOH number (to DIN 53240) of from 0 to 600 mg KOH/g of polyester.

6. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition according to ~~claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, in which component B) at least has an OH number or a COOH number greater than 0.

7. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition ~~as claimed in claims 1 to 6~~ according to claim 1, in which component B) is obtainable by reacting

(a) one or more dicarboxylic acids or one or more derivatives of the same with one or more at least trihydric alcohols

or

(b) one or more tricarboxylic acids or higher polycarboxylic acids or one or more derivatives of the same with one or more diols

if appropriate in the presence of a solvent and optionally in the presence of an acidic inorganic, organometallic, or organic catalyst, or of an enzyme.

8. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition ~~as claimed in claims 1 to 7, in which component B) is obtainable according to claim 7, where, in~~ according to claim 7, where, when variant (a) is utilized, use is made of an at least trihydric alcohol which has hydroxyl groups having at least two different chemical reactivities.

9. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition according to ~~claims 1 to 7, in which component B) is obtainable according to claim 7, where, in~~ claim 7, where, when variant (a) is utilized, use is made of an at least trihydric alcohol which has hydroxy groups which all have identical chemical reactivity.

10. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition according to ~~claims 1 to 7~~ claim 7, where when variant (b) ~~according to claim 7 uses~~ is utilized an at least trihydric alcohol which has hydroxy groups all of which have identical chemical reactivity is used.

11. (Currently amended) The thermoplastic molding composition according to ~~claims 1 to 7~~, ~~in which component B) is obtainable according to claim 7~~, where when variant (b) ~~according to claim 7, by using~~ is utilized an at least one tricarboxylic acid or polycarboxylic acid which has carboxy groups having at least two different reactivities is used.

12. (Currently amended) ~~The use of the thermoplastic molding compositions according to claims 1 to 11~~ A method for producing fibers, films, or moldings ~~of any type comprising utilizing the thermoplastic molding composition according to claim 1.~~

13. (Currently amended) A fiber, a film, or a molding of any type obtainable from the thermoplastic molding compositions according to ~~claims 1 to 11~~ claim 1.